Morgan County Library
Technology Plan
2006-2008

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I. **Mission Statement**

The Morgan County Library provides services to all members of the community, by providing them with resources, print or electronic, that will help meet their needs for educational and personal enrichment. Electronic information resources are very important to library services in meeting patron needs for informational materials. Special emphasis is also placed on stimulating young children's intellectual interests and appreciation for reading and learning.

II. **Existing Technology**

The library currently has one server, nine public access computers – three specifically for patrons under 12 years old, and six for use by patrons 12 years and older. We have two Online Public Access Catalog (OPAC) computers, seven staff computers, and six computers in our Assistive Technology Lab with numerous hardware and software options to accommodate patrons with physical limitations. We have two color scanners, two staff printers – one of which is color, two public/staff printers, and a digital copy machine. A DSL line provides for Internet service.

III. **Public Service Goals, Budget and Timeline**

2006

Goals:

* Replace server
* Replace 5 public access computers
* Get library web-site online, and update regularly
* Add additional educational software for children
* Provide quarterly public computer classes
* Learn about new technology, for possible additions to the library by attending appropriate
   sessions at ULA, networking with other librarians, or by reading periodicals, i.e. Library
   Journal, etc.

Budget:

Replacement costs for server and public access computers will come from a Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant.

Educational software for children will be purchased with a Public Library Development Grant (PLDG), or library line item budget funds provided by Morgan County.

Timeline:

Replacement of public access computers will be done within 6 to 8 weeks of receiving LSTA funds.

Software will be purchased throughout the year as suitable programs are found.

2007

Goals:

* Replace 3 or 4 staff computers
* Add one Follett Transaction Tracker
* Work with the Morgan County Council on creating a budget line item which will allow for
     replacement of electronic equipment, software, etc.
* Maintain user friendly web-site, and update regularly
* Provide quarterly public computer class
* Learn about new technology, for possible additions to the library by attending appropriate
     sessions at ULA, networking with other librarians, or by reading periodicals, i.e. Library
     Journal, etc.

Budget:

Replacement costs for staff computers will come from a Public Library Development Grant (PLDG), or library line item budget funds provided by Morgan County. Cost would be approximately $3000.00.

Addition of Follett Transaction Tracker will be paid for by library line item budget funds provided by Morgan County. Approximate cost $600.00.

Timeline:

Staff computers would be replaced prior to June 30, 2007.

The Follett Transaction Tracker would be purchased in the first quarter of the year.

2008

Goals:

* Replace remaining staff computers
* Add Follett's WebCollection Plus
* Add second Follett Transaction Tracker
* Maintain user friendly web-site, and update regularly
* Provide quarterly public computer class
* Learn about new technology, for possible additions to the library by attending appropriate
    sessions at ULA, networking with other librarians, or by reading periodicals, i.e. Library
    Journal, etc.

Budget:

Replacement costs for staff computers will come from a Public Library Development Grant (PLDG), or library line item budget funds provided by Morgan County. Cost would be approximately $3000.00.

Purchase of Follett's WebCollection Plus will be paid for with a Public Library Development Grant (PLDG). Approximate cost would be $1200.00.

Addition of Follett Transaction Tracker will be paid for by library line item budget funds provided the by Morgan County. Approximate cost $600.00.

Timeline:

Remaining staff computers will be replaced prior to June 30, 2008

Follett WebCollection Plus and Transaction Tracker would be purchased in the first quarter of the
    year.

IV.   Staff Development Goals

Staff training on current and upcoming technology will be included in regular staff meetings, and as needed as other technology becomes available to us. We will participate in workshops offered through the Utah State Library, and attend UPLIFT training when offered.

V.   Evaluation

Library staff will evaluate progress being made toward reaching these goals in regular staff meetings, library board meetings, written patron surveys, and discussions with our patrons, and other interested parties.